



**ST. GEORGE**  
**Top Soccer**

***Souvenir  
Programme***







# ST. GEORGE B.S.C.



Brisbane Lions



## at the new ST. GEORGE STADIUM

SUNDAY .. JULY 16

### ST. GEORGE BSC

- 1 MARTIN COE
- 2 DOUG UTJESENOVIC
- 3 RALPH COATES
- 4 JOHN O'SHEA
- 5 GEORGE HARRIS
- 6 BRENDAN GROSSE
- 9 ROBERT O'SHEA
- 10 NEVILLE MORGAN
- 11 PHIL O'CONNOR
- 12 MIKE O'SHEA
- 13 PETER TERRY
- 15 PAUL JONES
- 17 PETER HENSMAN
- 22 PAUL KAY

### BRISBANE LIONS

- 20 NIGEL LOWNDS
- 2 GEORGE POTTER
- 3 JIM HERMISTON
- 4 COL BENNETT
- 5 ALAN NIVEN
- 6 JOHN NEALE
- 7 EDDIE SPEARRITT
- 8 PAUL LASLO
- 10 ALAN HUGHES
- 12 STEVE AMOS
- 13 BARRIE FAIRBROTHER
- 15 LEON WILSON
- 16 GEOFF MORRIS



PETER HENSMAN

Winner of the Admiral/  
Sporting Supplies  
Player of the Week  
Award in match against  
NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

COACH: JOE VLASITS

COACH: JULIUS VINCZE

We extend a warm welcome to our visitors from Queensland - the players, officials & supporters also to Sydney Olympic and Newcastle KB United the other two teams taking part in the "double header" here at Barton Park.





# BRISBANE LIONS

## BEWARE OF STUNG LIONS!

Careful: the Lions are coming. Stung if not mauled last week in Canberra, the classy Brisbane outfit must be in a pretty mean mood for today's visit. And an

extra warning: on previous visits to the Big Smoke, they took the scalps of Hakoah (Now Sydney City) and Olympic.

Lions this year have climbed a lot higher on the ladder than some people would have expected and are challenging for a semi-final spot. Under their new coach, Julius Vincze, ex-Hungarian and former Queensland star, they have been accumulating the points with diligence.

The Lions' defence is possibly the team's true forte: in the Bennett-Potter-Hermiston trio, helped by Wilson and Niven as well as acrobatic goalie Lownds, they have an often impenetrable wall. Ask high-flyers West Adelaide who, two weeks ago, couldn't get a single goal past this lot.

In Hughes they possess a dangerous sharpshooter: give him an inch and next moment the net bulges with his shot. Then add the polished Laslo, the industrious Fairbrother, the elusive little Morris and the classy Spearritt and instantly you will feel the claws of a Lion on the rampage.

But Brisbane Lions have other claims to fame, too. With their farsighted officials -- many of them hailing from Holland -- they were always among the first and strongest supporters of the Philips League. It's only fair that they are now reaping the benefits by belonging to the elite.

We welcome Lions to Barton Park for their first visit here and hope that they will return home after the match -- regardless of the result -- as the friends we have known them to be.

## SAINTS SINK TWO "COLD GOALS"!

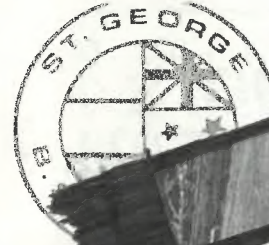
Before a huge crowd in excess of 10,000, St George picked up two points in defeating Newcastle KB United at the International Sports Centre last Saturday, making their tally five points out of eight for the past four games, and giving their faithful supporters who travelled north renewed faith in them.

## PHILIPS SOCCER LEAGUE DOUBLE HEADER SUNDAY, JULY 16

1. pm, ST GEORGE v BRISBANE LIONS
3. pm, SYD. OLYMPIC v NEWC. KB UNITED

Reserve Grade at 11.  
St George Dragons v Sydney Olympic  
Barton Park, Bestic Street, Rockdale

Gates open 11 am.



ON REVIVAL COURSE

Can "Uncle Joe" do it again?  
Can he really put new heart and soul into Saints and take them up to a respectable place on the table before the end of the season?

Many St. George fans think so: their faith in the "old magician" is unlimited. The man who guided St. George to their first ever NSW championship title in 1962 -- after having had similar successes with Prague and Canterbury -- seldom fails. Only a few weeks before joining the club Joe Vlasits won with NSW the national under-19 championship in Brisbane. Winning is in his blood.

Last week's brilliant win in Newcastle might have spelt the start of a major revival. To bring home the two points from Newcastle where over 10,000 local fans were helping their favorites along is no mean task. But these are the challenges Vlasits relishes.

There are very clear definite signs that at long last, the Saints are fighting their way out of a slump. Key players such as Hensman, Jones and Robbie O'Shea are back in the fray again after injuries, the steady influence of Utjesenovic has tidied up the defence and up front goals are coming a little easier than earlier. Many club officials have been saying for weeks that all this team needs is faith in itself. Maybe it's finding it now under the calm professionalism of Joe Vlasits.

Of course, it would be futile to expect miracles, like a sequence of wins to take Saints into the top four -- but mathematically even this is not impossible. All the team has to do is win its next seven matches, hope that those further up drop points regularly and then.....

But this cannot be the aim for the rest of 1978. Vlasits as well as the Club merely hope to end the terrible run the team had this season, help the players regain their old confidence, move a few slots up the table -- and rebuild for 1979. This rebuilding process has already started! Vlasits, forever the intelligent planner and schemer, is quietly taking stock of the staff the Club will need for next season. Certain to stay on in 1979 in some technical capacity, Vlasits wants to make sure that St. George -- his first love during his long and checkered Australian career -- doesn't have to relive the traumas of 1978 once again.

Every great club can fall on hard times, but the hallmark lies in its ability to bounce back. And this is what St. George promises to do.

## NEXT HOME GAME

July 30

SAINTS V FOOTSCRAY

Follow the Saints



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8 pm

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STEVE ST. CLAIR

Booking fee \$6

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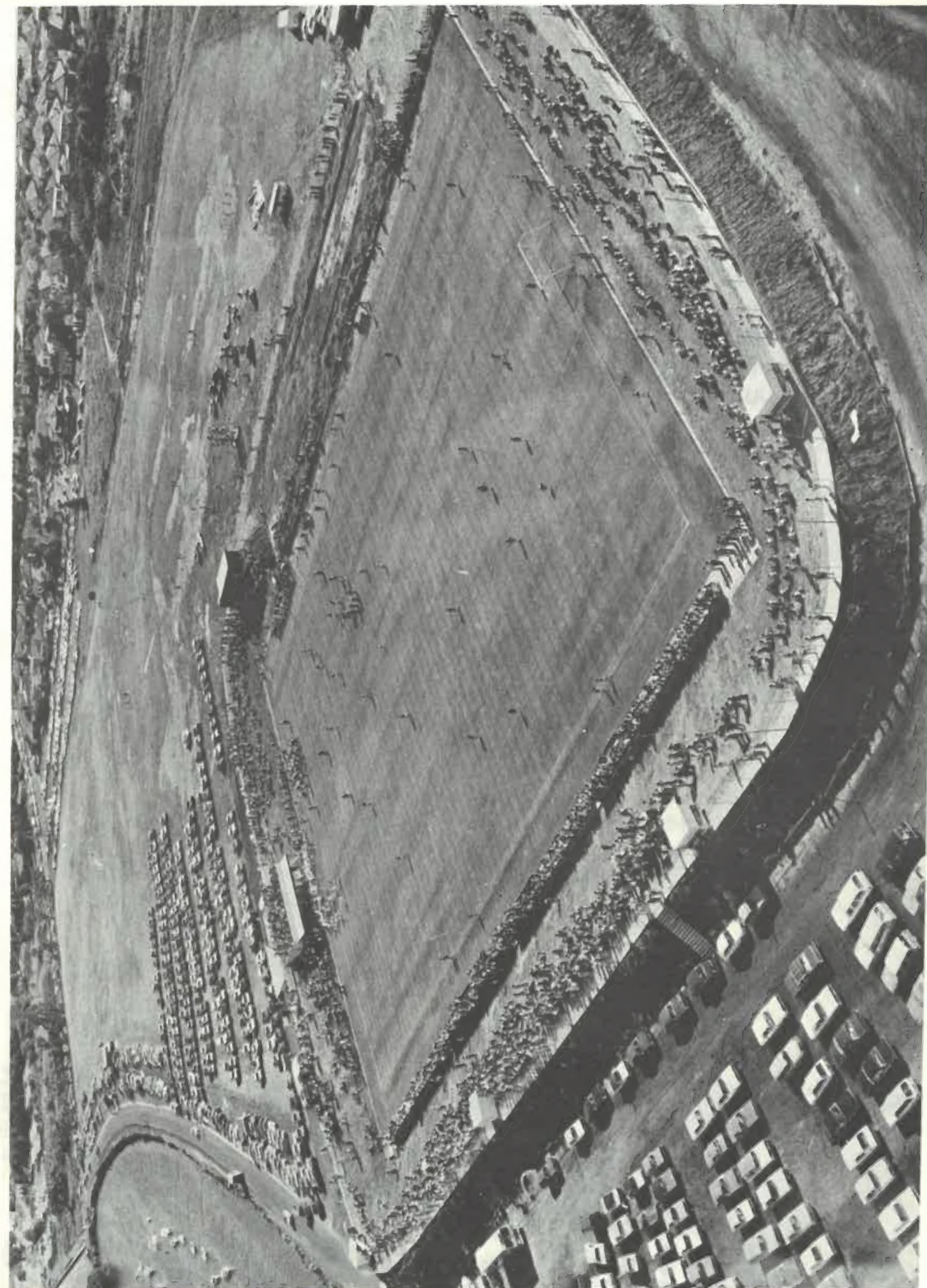

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July 16 RAMSGATE V ROCKDALE

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St. George star taken by 'Herald' cameraman Anton Cermak



# WHERE TO SEE THE SAINTS?



APRIL 9	SAINTS	v	NEWCASTLE KB UNITED
APRIL 23	SAINTS	v	FITZROY UNITED
MAY 7	SAINTS	v	BRISBANE CITY
MAY 21	SAINTS	v	EAST SUB. HAKOAH
JUNE 4	SAINTS	v	WEST ADELAIDE
JUNE 25	SAINTS	v	ADELAIDE CITY
JULY 2	SAINTS	v	SYDNEY OLYMPIC
JULY 16	SAINTS	v	BRISBANE LIONS
JULY 30	SAINTS	v	FOOTSCRAY
AUG. 13	SAINTS	v	MARCONI
AUG. 27	SAINTS	v	WESTERN SUBURBS



## Free Supporters Bus to St. George Soccer Stadium

12.15	Blairs Tyre Service — Cnr. Forest Rd. & Stoney Creek Rd. — Again at 1.15
12.20	Gannons Park — Cnr. Pindari Rd. & Isaac St. Peakhurst — Again at 1.20
12.25	Outside Masonic Club — Roberts Ave. Peakhurst — Again at 1.25
12.30	Soccer Club — 84 Victoria Ave. Mortdale — Again at 1.30 p.m.
12.40	Outside Woolworths — Forest Rd. Hurstville — Again at 1.40
12.45	Bexley — Outside Gilchrist's Pharmacy — Forest Rd. — Again at 1.45
12.50	Rockdale — Outside Chapman's Sport Store — Cnr. Frederick St. — Again at 1.50
12.55	Rockdale — Outside Rockdale Business Mens Club — Bay St. — Again at 1.55
Last Stop	Rockdale — Outside McCarthy Reserve — Bay St. — Approximate times so please be at bus stops early.

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